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TO AMEMBASSY JIDDA

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SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA BY GEORGE BALL AND

PETER PETERSON

FOR AMBASSADOR AKINS

1. GEORGE BALL INFORMED DEPTOFF JAN. 14 THAT HE AND PETER PETERSON ARE PLANNING TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA LATE THIS MONTH. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO EXPLORE HOW LEHMANN BROS. INVESTMENT HOUSE MIGHT BEST ORGANIZE ITSELF TO ADVISE AMERICAN FIRMS INTERESTED IN INVESTING IN SAUDI ARABIA AS WELL AS TO PROVIDE INVESTMENT SERVICES TO SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT. BALL ADDED THAT HE ALSO WISHES TO CLEAR UP QUESTION WHETHER LEHMANN BROS. IS ON ARAB BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL BLACKLIST. (DEPARTMENT HAS NO RECORD THAT IT IS. IN FACT, WE UNDERSTAND LEHMANN BROS. HAS SUCCESSFULLY TRANSACTED BUSINESS WITH KUWAIT.)

2. PRESENT EXPECTATION IS HAT BALL AND PETERSON WILL ARRIVE JIDDA AT 2050 HOURS JANUARY 28 ABOARD SV 790 FROM LONDON, REMAINING IN KINGDOM 2-3 DAYS OR AS LONG AS MAY BE NECESSARY. THEY HOPE TO MEET WITH YOU FOLLOWING THEIR ARRIVAL FOR GENERAL BRIEFING ON SAUDI ECONOMIC SITUATION. THEY WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR GUIDANCE REGARDING SAUDI PERSONALITIES ON WHOM THEY MIGHT CALL (BALL  
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HAS MET YAMANI) AND APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING

APPOINTMENTS.

3. BALL HOPES TO CALL ON SAUDI AMB. TO US SOWAYEL IN  
NEAR FUTURE TO ASK HIS SUPPORT IN OBTAINING SAUDI ENTRY  
VISA. HOWEVER, YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO NOTIFY FONMIN OF  
BALL AND PETERSON DESIRE TO VISIT KINGDOM AND URGE THAT  
IT DO ALL POSSIBLE TO EXPEDITE ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO THEM.  
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